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**Sent:** Thur 10/8/2015 11:34:18 PM

Subject: FW: media inquiry SoCal Public Radio re: oil and gas oversight

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**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 4:31 PM **To:** Peterson, Molly <mpeterson@scpr.org>

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Subject: RE: oil and gas oversight

Molly, you may be referring to the spreadsheets of wells that accompanied that letter? I asked our UIC program about that, and while there are thousands of wells listed in other Districts, for District 1, they noted there were only 11 well listed, and most of those were inactive. EPA region 9 does not have the latest status on each of those 11 wells, so the appropriate people to talk to about that are at DOGGR. You may have already reached out to Theresa Schilling there (Teresa.Schilling@conservation.ca.gov) for help in interpreting their spreadsheet, and giving you the most recent well status.

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Hi Molly,

I'm at SEJ, but looping in Bill Keener since you're on deadline.	
N	Jahal Tahal
On Oct 8, 2015, at 4:37 PM, "Peterson, Molly" < mpeterson@scpr.org > wrote:	
	Hi Nahal -
	Can I talk to someone about letters between DOGGR/SWRCB and EPA related to oversight of oil and gas operations, specifically potential aquifer contamination from wastewater injection?
	I was just on a call with DOGGR in which they asserted that there are no wells in Cypress district here in Southern California that inject into protected aquifers. But I am looking at a letter from state regulators to EPA's Mike Montgomery dated July 31 and some wells are listed as doing so, I believe. I wanted to check my understanding with someone at EPA.
	Is that possible? I'm on deadline and I am trying to do this rather soon if possible. This afternoon, today, Thursday.
	Thank you,
	Molly Peterson
	KPCC
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